

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

*Please amend the paragraph beginning on line <sup>28</sup>14 of page 2 as follows:*

A1 With this configuration, when there is an access request for data raised from a node to the access management means, the access management means manages, in cooperation with the data management means, the judgment of the mode of access and the band of the network and the band of the interface of the recording medium apparatus, thus ~~enabling guarantee of~~ guaranteeing the bands for accessing from the node to the recording medium apparatus through the network.

*Please amend the paragraph beginning on line 29 of page 5 as follows:*

A2 A ~~concrete~~ specific description of each of the managing function processing units will be given in the following.

*Please amend the paragraph beginning on line 7 of page 14 as follows:*

A3 Also, when the access manager 1007 judges that there remains a sufficient margin of band for access requests from the node 1005 and node 1006 after securing an access transmission band for the node 1004, it establishes an access channel by controlling ~~the~~ a fabric switch function processing unit ~~108~~, and sends access approval and data management information to the node 1005 and node 1006. Upon receiving them, the node 1005 and node 1006 commence access to the data A 1010 on the remote disc (hard disc 1001).

*Please amend the paragraph beginning on line 31 of page 24 as follows:*

A4 Also, even when simultaneous access from plural nodes is being made, a transmission band for accessing to data on a local disc can always be guaranteed for each node even for posterior backdoor access.